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TELEHEALTH FACILITY FEE ANNUAL UPDATE AND POLICY CHANGE ON ACCREDITATION OF

AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTERS

PAGE CHANGE(S): See page 2.

SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This change provides annual update on telehealth originating site facility fee for calendar year 2005. It also allows Freestanding Ambulatory Surgery Centers accredited by Medicare to be TRICARE authorized.

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